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In re Patent Application of:

Martin L. De Land, et al.

Serial No.: 10/674,172

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Examiner: Khoa H. Tran

Title: "ADJUSTABLE
SHELVING/DISPLAY SYSTEM"

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October 14, 2004

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Office Action dated July 14, 2004 in the above-identified application.

No fee is required to accompany this Amendment and Response.

In the event Applicant has overlooked the need to request an extension of time, please consider this a request for same.

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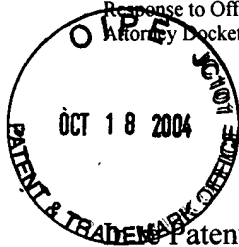
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the July 14, 2004 Office Action issued in the above-referenced patent application, and is filed within the three-month shortened statutory period set for response to the Office Action. Accordingly, no extension of time petition or fee is required to accompany this Amendment.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the paragraph of the application on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.